

+ I should like to have Kew's
part of the *Requena Seguiniana*
at £2.2.0 the 100

I send herewith my determinations
of a few *Scolymus* & *Donia* things
as far as I have gone with the
Hong Kong

I have read with great interest
some proofs of your Japanese paper
but have not seen quite all

I have been distributing (with
Oliver's assistance) Sprengel's *Taraxacum*
collection which has much
that is very interesting - as
far as Compositae is all that I
have had time to do - you set
is left at Kew to go with other
things (it contains 230 in amount)
to £4.15.0 -

I have settled with Mr. Hodder
that as soon as he receives the
£11.13.0 which you are sending
him he is to pay it in to my
banker - I have pretty well
made up the £200 I have to
meet a bill ~~expected~~
expected from Spruce to that amount.

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My dear Gray

I have deferred writing to
you till the last moment and
now I have very little time
We start for the Continent tomorrow
morning

I left with Booth this morning
to forward to you the MS of my
Revision of the Hong Kong Flora
down to *Lappula* - I forgot
where you said you would publish
it - but I have sent a few
preparatory words in the form
of an address to the Editor of - -
If it is in a publication which has
no editor ~~peray~~ after this to
a Preface - or Preparatory note -
whatever you please

There is a blank in the first
page which I got to fill up yesterday
at Kew but you will easily fill
it up - I am afraid I must trouble

you to go over the proofs carefully yourself. My hand is not always very correctly read by printers besides that I am myself liable to make mistakes in copying. I have however read it all over with as much attention as I could.

You will see that for the present I have put Actinidia (to which you are quite right in referring *Heptaea latifolia* Gardn et Champ.) into Dilleniaceae and left *Lauraiya* in Ternstroemiaceae that is because I feel quite convinced that Actinidia is Dilleniaceous, the carpels do not meet in the centre but are in a ring round the axis (a protuberance of the torus) as in *Nymphoea* - and the calyx articulation though very nearly valvate is not quite so - not like that of the genera of *Blacca*.

As to *Lauraiya* that may be Dilleniaceous too but I am not quite convinced yet - the carpels appear to me to be much more united in the axis - but the Hongkong specimens are very unsatisfactory and do not induce me to work up the genus.

I had intended at first to quote the numbers of ~~the~~ collectors but Hance's would only be for his own satisfaction and I have sent him his list of names - Wilford's are not enough for distribution and what are given can just as well be given with names as numbers - As to Wright I know not whether they are distributed or not - As you state I have put his numbers in pencil in the margin for your guidance.

I have given the *Ann. P. & C.* a synopsis of Dalbergiaceae 206 species in which I have worked up all the Asiatic & African as well as American species to the best of my abilities. I include *Lorokocopus* and *Derris* & *Pongamia* - but I exclude *Millettia* and *Givriedia* which have a deficient pod. I have consequently not worked up the closely allied genera *Wisteria*, *Millettia*, *Givriedia*, *Mundulia* and *Oreuma* and cannot accurately fix their limits but I presume you are right that *W. chinensis* must remain in *Millettia*, *Wisteria* and perhaps the above 5 ought to make one genus.